# Chain Reaction of Unprecedented Steps in Florida State's NCAA Case

**1**
Late Spring of 2007
FSU Auditor General
Conducts internal
investigation

**2**
Summer of 2007:
- Auditor General issues report
- FSU forms Committee (Provost, General Counsel, Faculty Athletics "rep," and Athletics Director)
- FSU hires independent consultants (The Compliance Group) to help with self-report to NCAA

**3**
9/25/07 FSU President
sends letter to NCAA
Enforcement staff

**4**
The Compliance Group interviews
student - athletes, finds eligibility
issues with 23 student-athletes,
reports to NCAA Reinstatement
staff

**5**
NCAA Reinstatement
staff STOPS
reinstatement process

**6**
FSU and The
Compliance Group
request guidance from
NCAA

**7**
Conference Call conducted on
10/27/07

NCAA Enforcement | NCAA Reinstatement

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FSU President
FSU General Counsel
Other FSU Adminstrators
The Compliance Group

**8**
NCAA Reinstatement
and Enforcement staffs'
combined analysis:
Case has no precedent
—new set of facts.
NCAA suggested
actions: VOID CLASS
and HOLD STUDENT-
ATHLETES HARMLESS
FOR ELIGIBILITY

**9**
FSU and The
Compliance Group
request meeting and
decision from NCAA
Reinstatement and
Enforcement staff

**10**
In-person meeting at
NCAA Indianapolis HQ
on 11/12/2007 with
NCAA Reinstatement
and Enforcement staff

**11**
Private meeting between
NCAA President Brand
and FSU President
Wetherell

**12**
**DECISIONS:**

- VOID CONTAMINATED COURSE [EXTINGUISHED STUDENTS' DUE PROCESS RIGHTS]
- HOLD STUDENT-ATHLETES HARMLESS FOR ELIGIBILITY
- REQUIRE ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES TO RETAKE (REVAMPED) COURSE
- UNIFORM PENALTY: ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES LOSE ELIGIBILITY FOR 30% OF SEASON
- GIVE GRACE PERIOD FOR STUDENT-ATHLETES TO COME FORWARD